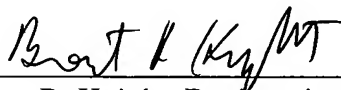


### REMARKS

In the present preliminary amendment, Applicants have amended the claims that were presented in the Examiner's amendment to clarify the subject matter. Because no new matter has been added in these amendments, Applicants respectfully request entry of these amendments.


If the Examiner wishes to discuss this application with counsel, please contact the undersigned.

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